HOUSE BILL 1436 By Armstrong

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310, relative to reports of hospitals.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310, is amended by deleting subdivision (a)(1) and substituting instead the following:

(a)

(1) Within one hundred fifty (150) days after the end of each individual hospital's fiscal year, the hospital shall submit to the department a report of the statistical particulars relative to their patients for the fiscal year.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (4) and substituting instead the following:

(4) All hospitals that submit a joint annual report to the department of health as designated in this section also shall submit to the department, at the same time they send the signed paper copy of the report, a notarized statement from their chief financial officer stating that the financial data reported on the joint annual report are consistent with the audited financials for the hospitals for that reporting year. The notarized statement shall also be attested to by the chief executive officer of the hospital.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.

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